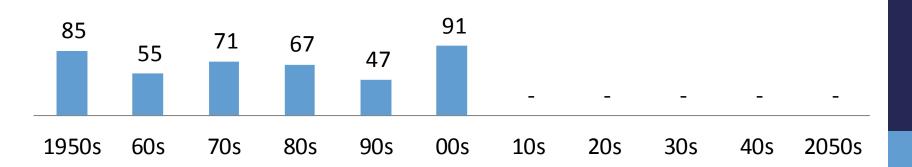


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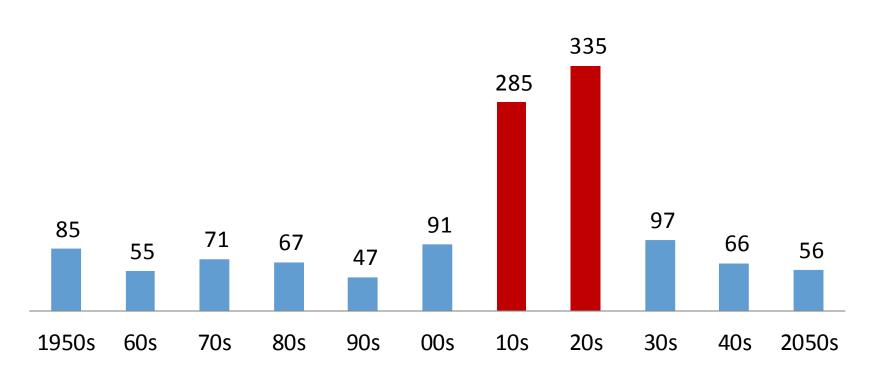
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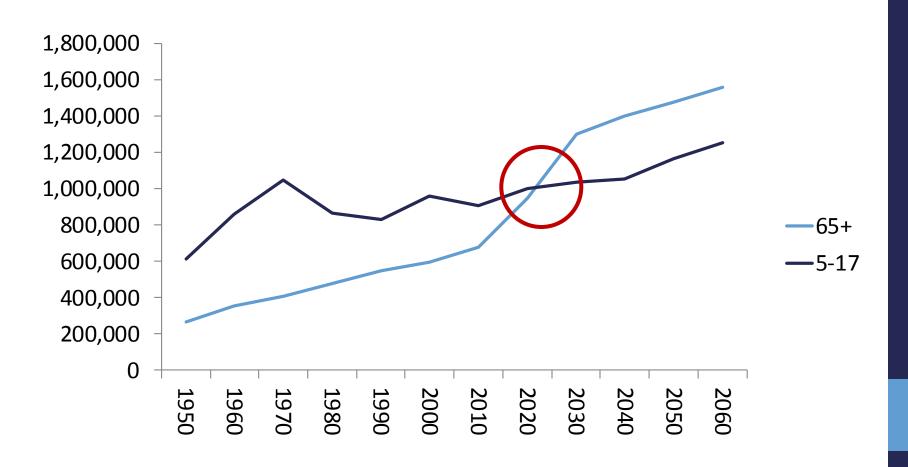


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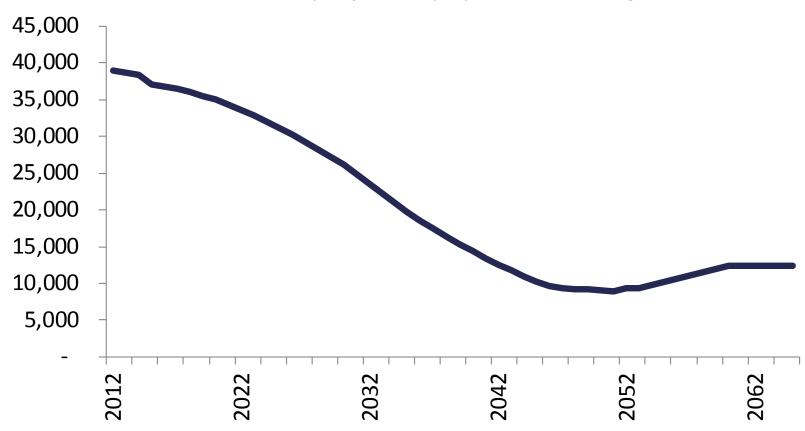


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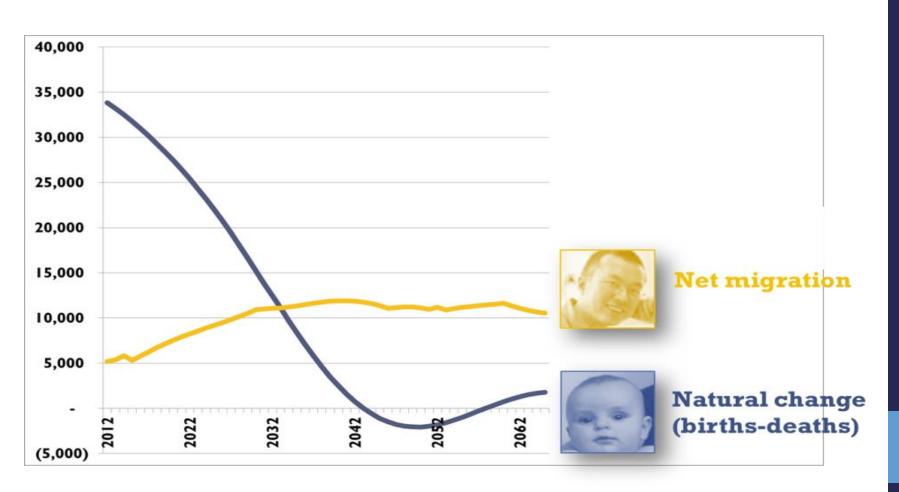
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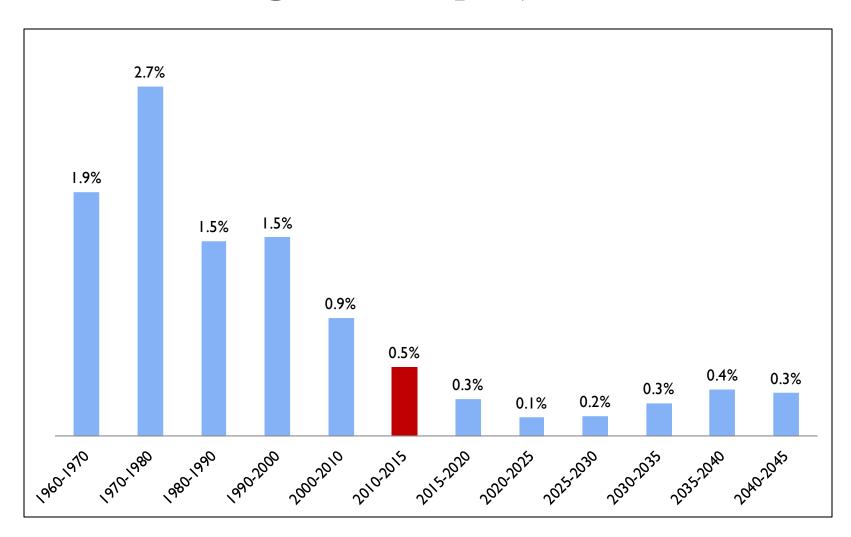


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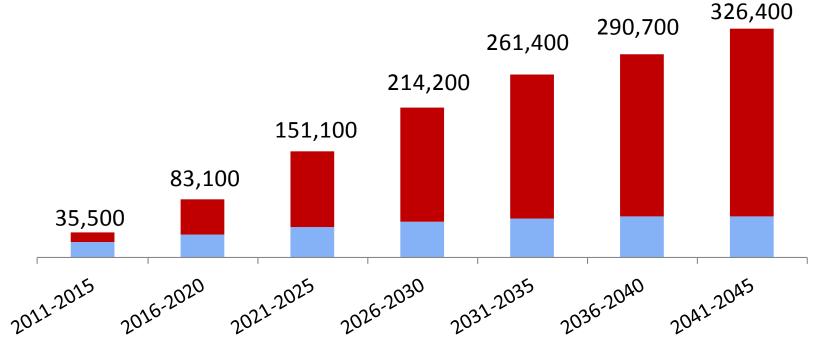
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Labor force growth is projected to slow



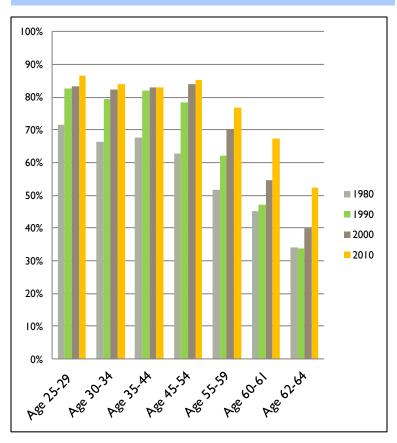
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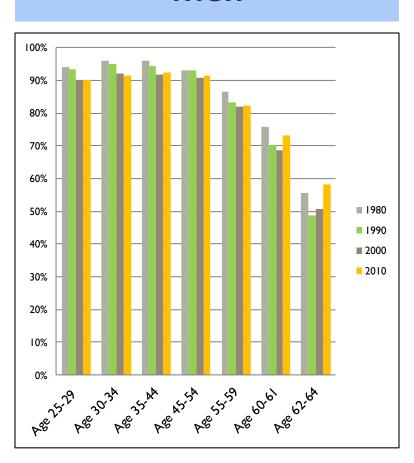
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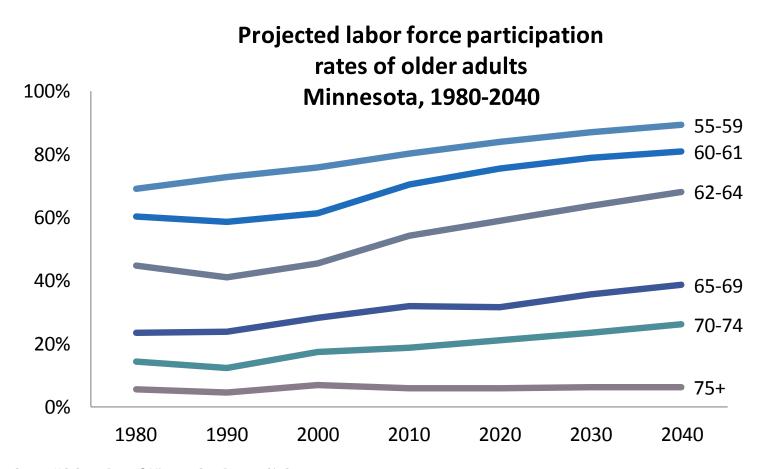
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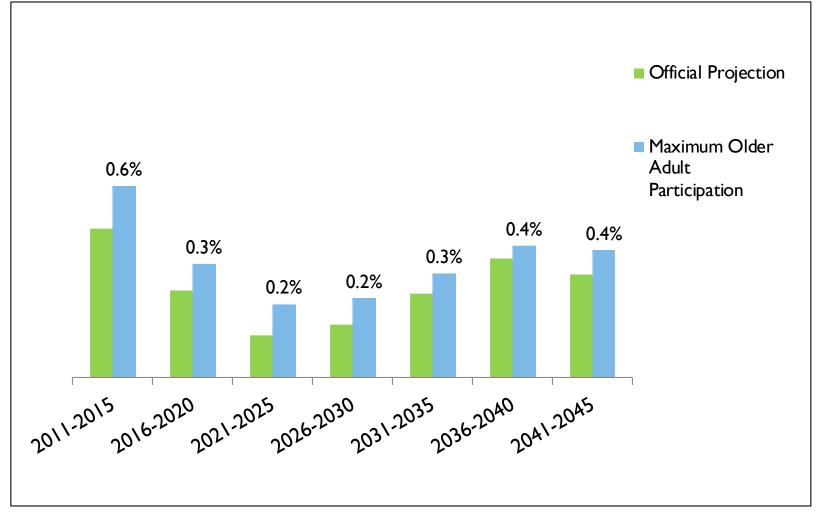
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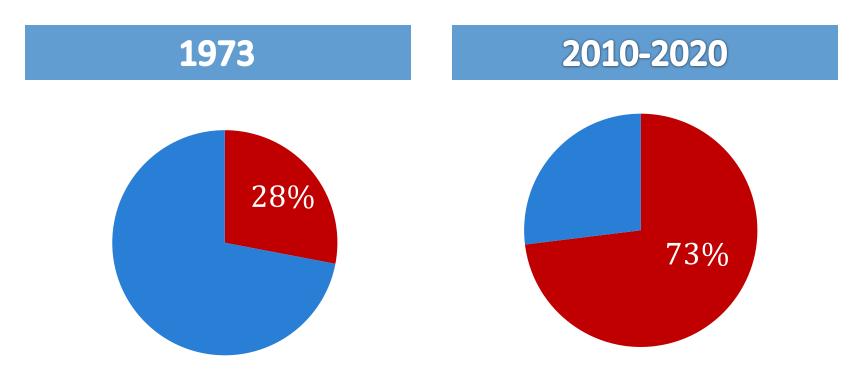
Increased labor force participation of older adults won't be enough to counter aging trend



Testing assumptions: If nearly all older adults without a disability remained in the LF...



High school graduation is no longer enough to get an economic foothold



Percent of jobs requiring some post-secondary education

Considerations of Demographic Change on Labor Force Growth

- An aging of Minnesota means slower population growth and slower labor force growth
- Slower labor force growth puts a premium on skilled labor
- Changing immigration, increased labor force participation likely not large enough impacts to counter aging trend
- Other states are in the same boat
- Big changes and big opportunities ahead

Questions? Comments?





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